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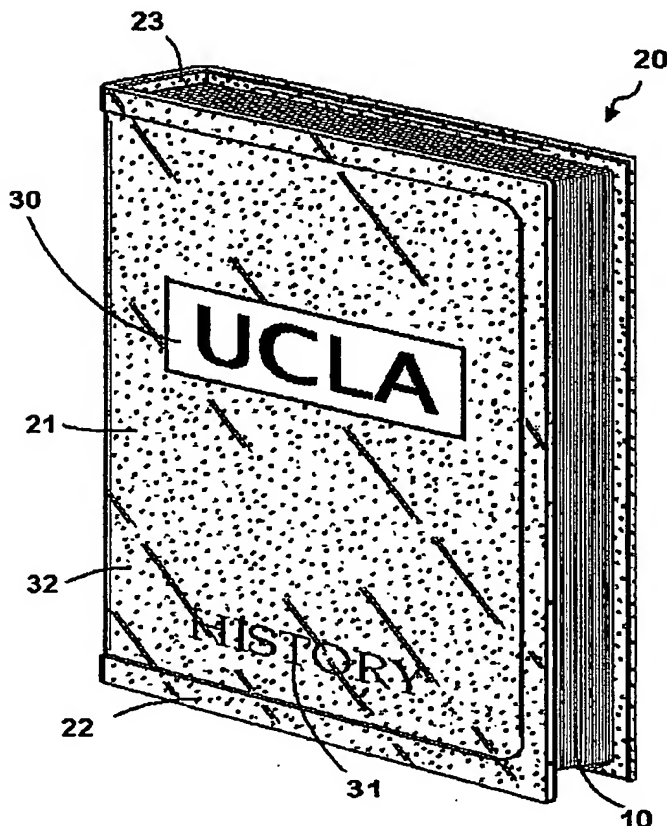
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(57) Abstract: A book cover (20), which may be formed or molded from an elastomeric polymer material, has pocket portions for receiving the covers (10) of a book (10). The pocket portions may form an elliptically shaped access slot (25) that eases insertion of the covers (20) into the pocket portion. The access slot (25) may be aligned with and parallel to the spine of the book (10) and contain recesses (23) to engage the top and bottom of the spine in a spine locking engagement. The peripheral edges (11) of the book cover, and also the edges (11) of the access slot (25), may be reinforced, such as by thickening the material at these locations, for increased strength. The book cover (20) may have various visual effects or indicia, and may be textured or patterned, which may increase the grip of the book cover (20).



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